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1. AIR FORCE IS CLOSELY MONITORING JAPANESE BEETLE COUNTS
IN THE AZORES TO DETERMINE WHETHER IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE
TO CONDUCT AERIAL SPRAY OPERATIONS AT AND AROUND LAJES AB
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AGAIN THIS YEAR. DEPARTMENT AND DEFENSE CONCUR IN THIS
ACTIVITY AND AIR FORCE'S DETERMINATION SUCH ACTION IS
NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN CONTROL OF JAPANESE BEETLE POPULATION
AT LAJES AND IN SURROUNDING AREA.

2. IF OPERATIONS ARE INITIATED, IT WILL BE NECESSARY, AS
WAS THE CASE LAST YEAR, FOR PORTUGUESE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT

TO RELIEVE US OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY DAMAGES INCURRED AS A RESULT OF USAF AERIAL SPRAYING OPERATIONS. WE DO NOT HOLD TEXTS OF 8 FEB 78 REQUESTS FROM THE AZOREAN REGIONAL SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, 27 MAR 78 NOTE FROM PORTUGUESE AIR FORCE, OR THE 30 MAY 78 NOTE FROM MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. PLEASE PROVIDE CONTENT OF ABOVE DOCUMENTS AND EMBASSY'S ASSESSMENT OF WHETHER THEY ADEQUATELY COMMIT PORTUGUESE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT TO RELIEVE US OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR DAMAGES.

3. SINCE DEPLOYMENT OF SPRAY UNIT MAY BE REQUIRED BY 21 JUNE 78, CONFIRMATION OF DAMAGE RESPONSIBILITY IS NEEDED SOONEST. CHRISTOPHER

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